The Children, Youth, and Families Signature Research Area Group presents a mini-conference on

**Effects of the Recession on Children and Families**

Thursday, December 9, 2010
8:45am – 1:00pm
School of Social Work, Room TBD
1255 Amsterdam Avenue @ 122nd St.

8:45  Coffee

9:00  Welcome and introductions

9:15  **Session 1 – Overview of the Great Recession and Results from Michigan**
Chair: Irwin Garfinkel
"The Great Recession and the Future of Poverty"
Sheldon Danziger (University of Michigan)

10:00  **Session 2 – Effects of the Great Recession on Fragile Families**
Chair: Janet Currie
"The Great Recession and Material Hardship"
Natasha Pilkauskas, Janet Currie, and Irwin Garfinkel (Columbia University)
“How did the Great Recession Influence Union Formation and Stability? Evidence from the Fragile Families Study"
Daniel Schneider (Princeton University), Kristin Harknett (University of Pennsylvania), Sara McLanahan, (Princeton University)

11:10  Break

11:25  **Session 3 – Effects of the Great Recession on Fragile Families (part 2)**
Chair: Janet Currie
"Economic Conditions and Genetic Propensities: The Affect of the Great Recession and Dopamine Receptor Gene DRD2 on Maternal Harsh Parenting"
Jeanne Brooks-Gunn and Irwin Garfinkel (Columbia University), Sara McLanahan, Daniel Notterman, and Dohoon Lee (Princeton University)

12:00  **Working Lunch**
Chair: Jane Waldfogel